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Admiral Dewey Discusses Proposed Retirement Scheme.

FLAG OFFICERS TOO OLD

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CHANCE FOR THE YOUNG MEN

Little Opportunity Now for .Fleet Commanders to Get Experience-

Average Service Only a Year.

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS. Written for The Star and the Chicago Record-Herald.

"Naval flag officers are not like poets, said Admiral Dewey the other day; "they are not born; they must be trained. Before an officer can be of any value as commander-in-chief of a fleet he must have handled battleships and cruisers, and before he can realize his responsibilities and know his duties and have the nerve and skill to perform them he must have commanded a division and a squadron. A flag officer without experience is a very dangerous man. So is the captain of a battleship, as we live on potatoes—they are lacking have had demonstrated to us recently. No battleship or cruisers of any great value unless it has a competent commander. No fleet is of any value unless it is properly handled, and it cannot be properly handled without a captain of experience. A fleet is worth just as much as its commander-in-chief. A battleship is worth

just as much as its captain.
"No officer can step full-fledged from the command of a ship to the command of a fleet in a time of great emergency without great risk. He must first be tried in subor-dinate commands. The English promote by selection young officers who have abli-ity and character, while they are at the height of their mental and physical vigor. They are first tried in subordinate commands, and, if competent, are given additional responsibility. If incompetent, they are turned down.

What Our Navy Lacks.

"We are creating a navy of great strength and it must be divided into squadrons and fleets-something we have not had since the civil war. And we need competent flag officers and captains of experience, just as much as we need sailors and rience, just as much as we need sallors and gunners. Notwithstanding their armor, armament, speed, tonnage and the personnel of a ship's crew, an incompetent commanding officer can ruin a ship or render it useless and neutralize the entire strength of his command. And no one can tell who is competent until the officers are tried. There is no way to try them without experience, and at the present rate of promorience, and, at the present rate of promo-tion, many of our officers are too old to learn when they reach the rank that gives them an opportunity to receive training. And others, with a few exceptions, are compelled to retire for age as soon as they have any training. When the captains of our battleships and our flag officers assume their responsibility they have almost reached the retiring age. Few officers become captains until they are fifty-five of fifty-seven years old, and they seldom be-

come rear admirals until they are sixty. "A man is supposed to reach his prime physically and mentally, in nerve, energy, judgment and wisdom, when he is thirty-five work between thirty-fie and fifty, but, during all those years, when they are most competent to command, the officers of our navy are serving in subordinate positions. Experience has taught us that many officers who have been accustomed to receive or-ders until they are fifty years old will lose their nerve at that age. They will find it practically impossible to form the habit of premptly accepting responsibility in emergencies. Men who have passed that age in subordinate positions will shrink from taking the initiative in a dilemma and will not be ready to gve the directions that will best solve the problem presented. But an efficient flag officer or captain must have

those qualities. Our Flag Officers Too Old.

"Speaking generally, then, under our present slow system of promotion, we cannot reasonably expect flag officers and captains to form the habit of command because of the advanced age at which they reach those grades, and their experience is so limited that we cannot expect them to maneuver squadrons or handle battleships with the skill and efficiency that they would show if they had more experience and training. "In the British navy the captains range from thirty-five to fifty-five years of age; in the Japanese navy from thirty-eight to fifty-two years; in the German navy fortytwo to fifty-two years; in the French navy from forty-seven to fifty-nine, while in the United States navy our youngest captains are fifty-five years old and they run all the

way up from that age to sixty-two.
"The Japanese admirals are the youngest of all the navies, and range in age from forty-four to fifty-seven; the British from forty-nine to sixty-two; the German from fifty-one to fifty-six; the French from fifty-

three to sixty-four, and the United States "A French admiral averages fourteen years and two months in the service at that grade; the Japanese eleven years; the British eight years; the German six years, and the United States admirals have an average of only one year of training in that

"The British captains average eleven years and two months in that rank before they are promoted; the French nine years and two months; the Japanese eight years;

the Germans six years and two months, and the captains of the United States navy four years and five months.

"We used to give our young men a chance," continued Admiral Dewey, "and I speak the more feelingly on this subject hecause I was only thirty-two years all because I was only thirty-two years old when I was given command of the Narra-gansett. Admiral Farragut commanded the Ferret in operations against pirates in the West Indies when he was only twenty-two, and he commanded the Boxer and Decatur from thirty to thirty-seven. Admiral Sampson commanded the Narragansett when he was thirty-two, and always had a command after that. The British admiralty have selected a captain who is only thirtyfour years of age for the command of the Dreadnaught, the pride of their navy, and probably the most powerful fighting ma-chine that ever floated.

Ships in Commission and Building. "We have now the following ships in

Battleships

15 Transports
4 Supply ships
1 Colliers
6 Dispatch boats and
11 tenders
16 Sea-going tugs
6 Receiving ahips
37 School ships
8 Naval reserve vessels
21

"In addition to these we have fifty-four ships of all kinds out of commission and laid up, but most of them could be readily made available in time of war.
"We now have building the following ves-

sels of each class: Armored cruisers...
Protected cruisers...
Scouting cruisers...
Fieet colliers...

Total 34 "In comparison with other navies, we

Great Britain Scarcity of Officers.

"Everybody must recognize that this great navy adds to the responsibilities of the nation, and Congress must appreciate

that we must have more officers and better rained men of high rank. In all the prin cipal navies of the world except our own the grade of vice admiral forms part of the the grade of vice admiral forms part of the regular organization. Other nations have apparently created that grade to give a strong inducement to rear admirals to be industrious and to develop their skill and efficiency in a fair competition, for promotion for vice admiral; second, because the commander-in-chief of a fleet or a large squadron, with increased authority and responsibility, is logically entitled to a higher rank than the flag officers serving under him; and, third, it gives a grade of selected flag officers of high rank, experience, proved skill and efficiency, competent and ready to obtain the best possible results with any fleet or squadron placed under his command.

his command.

"The United States has a smaller number of commissioned officers of all ranks in the sea-going corps than any power except Austria. We have only 1.95 commissioned officers to each 1,000 tons of warships built and building, while Great Britain has 2.52. France 3.58 and Germany 3.48.

"We have one admiral and twenty-four "We have one admiral and twenty-four rear admirals, six of the latter being extras on account of distinguished services during the war with Spain, while the grade of admiral ceases to exist when vacated by the present incumbent.

"Great Britain has four admirals of the fleet, eleven admirals, twenty-three vice admirals and forty-nine rear admirals. Germany has one admiral of the fleet, four admirals, eight vice admirals and nineteen rear admirals. France has fifteen vice ad-mirals and thirty rear admirals. Japan has

seven admirals, twenty-three vice admirals and twenty-five rear admirals.

"One of the admirals of the British navy is only fifty-nine years old and another is sixty-one. The youngest vice admiral is fifty-six, while nearly all of them are under sixty. sixty. All of the rear admirals in the British navy are under sixty, the youngest being fifty years old and the oldest fifty-nine. Six are fifty-four, six are fifty-five, eight are fifty-six and nine are fifty-seven

The Remedy Proposed. "To remedy this weakness in our navy the general board has prepared an amendment to the law which will promote our officers to commands and flag ranks at younger ages than at present and keep them at sea long enough to permit them to become efficient. It is proposed to amend the personnel act so that the seagoing, ac-tive line of the navy shall be composed of twenty-four rear admirals and that the remainder of officers below flag rank shall be distributed among the several grades in the following proportion: Captains, seven per cent; commanders, seven per cent; lieu-tenant commanders, eighteen per cent; lieu-tenants, forty-one per cent, and lieutenants, junior grade and ensigns, twenty-seven per cent, provided that the number of captains and commanders shall not be reduced below eighty-five.

"It is also proposed to create a reserve list for shore duty, except in time of war, upon which an officer can have but one promotion, after examination, contemporaneously with the officer next ahead of him on the seagoing list, all officers to be plead upon the stilled list upon reach be placed upon the retired list upon reach-ing the age of sixty-two, and all flag officers now on the seagoing list over sixty years of age, who have not performed sea duty as flag officers. Prior to July 1, 1907, place upon it the day following his promotion to rear admiral any officer more than sixty years of age. After July 1, 1907, place upon it, the day following his promotion to rear admiral, any officer more than fifty-nine years of age. Have the board of five rear admirals provided by the personnel act on the 30th of June of each year, whenever the senior ten captains average more than fifty-five years of age, designate fif-teen per cent of all the captains for the reserve list; when the senior ten commanders average more than fifty years of age, place seven per cent of the comnanders on the reserve list; when the senior ten lieutenants average more than thirty-seven years of age, place seven per cent on the reserve list. Permit captains, ommanders and lieutenant commanders to apply for the reserve list.

"Authorize the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to designate six rear admirals to remain on the active list until they reach the age of sixty-four, with the rank of vice admiral, and thereafter, whenever there is a vacancy among the vice admirals the President is to appoint a shall be authorized to fill it by the selection of a rear admiral, who shall have had not less than one year in command of a di-

vision, squadron or fleet.
"This would give the necessary flow of promotion," said Admiral Dewey in conclusion, "and, as the personnel is increased by graduates from the Naval Academy, they would be distributed automatically and evenly in the several grades without additional legislation. The reserve list would provide officers for shore duty, while those on the seagoing list would spend most of their time at sea, where they would get the experience which is absolutely es-

FAIRBANKS AND THE EDITORS. Vice President and Wife Entertained at Indianapolis.

The convention of the National Editorial Association closed at Indianapolis yesterday with a reception to the visitors at the home of Vice President Fairbanks and Mrs. Fairbanks. Jamestown, Va., was selected for the next convention, and officers were elected as follows: President, John E. Junkin, Sterling, Kansas; first vice president, P. B. Varner, Lexington, N. C.; second vice president, Will H. Mayes, Brownwood, Tex., third vice president, Avery C. Moore, Weiser, Idaho; corresponding secretary, William A. Ashbrook, Johnstown, Ohlo; recording secretary, J. W. Cockrum, Oakland City, Ind.; treasurer, William A. Steele, Seattle, Wash.

Vice President Fairbanks arrived at noon and was met by 350 editors in carriages, Gov. Hanly, Gov. Hoch of Kansas, Mayor Bookwalter, state and city officers, and a number of other prominent citizens. With a band and a platoon of police, the Vice President was escorted to his house.

In the afternoon the Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks received the editors and accompanying members of their families at their home. Assisting in the receiving line were James Whitcomb Riley, George Ade, Meredith Nicholson and Miss Elizabeth Miller. On the lawn a great tent had been erected, in which refreshments were served. For nearly two hours the line of visitors was unbroken.

MORE JEWS SLAUGHTERED.

Rioting Resumed at Bielostok Last

Night-Another Bomb Thrown. A cablegram from Bielostok, Russia, last night, says: Night rioting began again this evening. The mob was swelled by thousands of peasants who had arrived during the day. They are now plundering and burning the deserted dwellings of Jews. Almost all the Jewish shops are ruined. The Jews who have not fied are being mercilessly harried. The woman are spared, but the men are bludgeoned, stabbed and shot. Firing is heard in many direct tions. Six thousand Jews are now camped in the forests surrounded by soldiers. Another bomb was thrown today, ki.ling a policeman and wounding others.

13 Cattlemen Indicted at Omaha. The federal grand jury at Omaha, yesterday, returned indictments against thirteen prominent Nebraska cattlemen in connection with land fraud cases. The men indicted are Bartlett Richards, W. G. Com-stock, Charles C. Jamison, Thomas Hunt-Ington, J. K. Reed, F. M. Walcott, Ami Todd, Aquilla Triplett, J. H. Edmiston, O. H. Hendee, G. H. P. Babcock, J. H. Tuck-er and J. C. Pettijohn. The charges include conspiracy to defraud the government, subornation and illegal fencing of public lands. Over 450,000 acres of land in Sheridan and Century countles, Nebraska, are involved. All the men gave bonds.

To Attend Pennsylvania Encampment Maj. Joseph T. Dickman and Capts. Chas. H. Muir, John W. Furlong and Dennis E. Nolan of the general staff have been detailed to attend the encampment of the or-ganized militia of the state of Pennsylva-nia, to be held at Gettysburg July 21 to 28.

William J. Bryan, jr., returned to his home at Lincoln, Neb., yesterday after traveling over a greater part of the world with his parents and sister. Young Bryan expects to enter the United States navy after completing an academic course in an Indiana school.

Colored Nomal, High Armstrong Schools.

EXERCISES LAST EVENING

Audience in Convention Hall Applauds Students.

SAINT FRANCIS

Commissioners of the District of Co-

lumbia in Attendance - Those Who Received Diplomas.

The joint commencement exercises of Washington Normal School No. 2, M Street High School and Armstrong Manual Training School were held last evening in Convention Hall before a large audience. Seated upon the stage, in addition to the graduates and members of the faculties of the schools, were Commissioners Macfarland, West and Biddle, Rev. W. Bishop Johnson and W. E. Burghardt Du Bois of Atlanta, Ga., who delivered the address of the evening. The invocation was by Rev. Dr. Johnson, after Commissioner Macfarland had called the meeting to order. Mr. Macfarland delivered the introductory address. He spoke of the good work that the graduates had done during the year, and called their attention to the fact that they were of a race that had come through many trials. The speaker declared that if they

would be with them in their effort.

Mr. Du Bois of Atlanta University of Atlanta, Ga., was introduced by Commissioner Macfarland as the speaker of the evening. He outlined the life and labors of t. Francis, after whom San Francisco was

named.

"We call commencements the beginning of life," the speaker said, "and we should also take the motto of St. Francis, 'Not by wealth, by violence, but by Thy spirit,' as our guide through life. You should not fix your minds toward wealth alone. The world wants food and clothing, but it also wants human sympathy. Today the world is rich in the matter of gold, but education must go higher. The effort should be to make men more intelligent and more make men more intelligent and more broadly human. Rather wealth of mind and soul than that of gold. You must not have ambition alone, but a grim grip and a bulldog courage. Learn by doing and do not in the beginning hitch your wagon to a

Dr. W. S. Montgomery, assistant superintendent of public schools, in a brief address, awarded the scholarships to Allen R. Taylor and Harold Haynes, who will go to Western University of Pennsylvania, and Walter C. Simmons to the medical depart-ment of Howard University. Others who, it was announced, will go to college, are: Josephine Pinyon, to Cornell; John A. Gordon, to Brown; T. R. Holmes, to Dart-mouth, and Harry Dyson, to Oberlin. The diplomas were then delivered by Col. John Biddle, Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia. The musical program was rendered by the National Guard Bri-

Names of the Graduates. The list of graduates follows:

Washington Normal School, No. 2-Horace Gilespie Anderson, Robert Henry Ashton, Albert Robert Dyson, David Vernell Green, West Alexander Hamilton, Albert Gernell Knorl, Leon Leroy Perry, Daisy Marie Louise Ball, Clara May Campbell Proctor Diggs, Florence Amy Freeman, Lil-lian Lafronda Jackson, Carolyn Isabel Lonsome, Lucy Elizabeth Lumpkins, Cornelia Elizabeth Quander, Florence Lorraine Scott. Aline Myrtle Sheffey, Eliza Shippen Ethel Beatrice Storum, Mollie Louise Tan-cil, Fanette Edna Walker, Nellie Augusta Washington, Corinne Wheeler, Anna Louis

M Street High School—Martha Melissa Beverly, Caroline Eugenia Blackville, Grace Adelaide Brown, Imogene Rhoda Clark-ston, Alverta Ellinore Carter, Cordelia Mary Dent, Alice Mabel Diggs, Estelle But-ler Dodson, Martha Elizabeth Donoho, Car-lie Eveline Dyson, Martha Elizabeth Donoho, Carrie Eveline Dyson, Mary Louise Ferguson, Julia Ann Foley, Pansy Rachelle Gaskins, Minnie Pauline Graham, Maggie Teresa Graves, Frances Willard Hall, Artency Glimore Harris, Novella Jarvis, Dorothy Adelaide Johnson, Henrietta Viola Johnson, Lucy Regina Johnson, Mabel De Etna Johnson, Olive Christine Jones, Matilda Rosetta Le Brandt, Ellen Lavinia Lee, Marguerite Fleet Lemos, Natalie Sumner Lewis, Lucie Rebecca Lewis, Georgia So-journa Marston, Sarah Nevel Merlwether, Adella Gertrude Parks, Josephine Virginia Pinyon, Araminta Cecella Price, Susie Ver nice Racks, Bessie Louise Reddick, Phy lls Wheatley Scott, Ella Sewell, Bessie Se-rena Smith, Carrie Estelle Snowden, Estelle rena Smith, Carrie Estelle Snowden, Estelle Viola Stewart, Calista Augusta Stewart, Carrie Louise Stovall, Mabel Elizabeth Swann, Elizabeth Ball Tancii, Catherine Louise Waddleton, Jeannette Elizabeth Wesley, Leonora Lewis West, Rosettie Harper Wilkinson, Eva Belle Wilkerson, Louise Estelle Wilkinson, Louise Estelle Williams, Clara Romaine Wilson, Laura Jones Wilson, Zellaca Cornella Wooding, Robert Amos Brown, Henry Alexander Clay, Harry Alfred Dyson, John Andrew Gordon, Harold Appo Haynes, Talley Robert Holmes, James IrvingMinor, Charles Arthur Robinson, Sevellon Davis Savoy, Walter Carson Simmons, Allen Rob-ert Taylor, John Henry Williams, Thomas Sylvester Wills.

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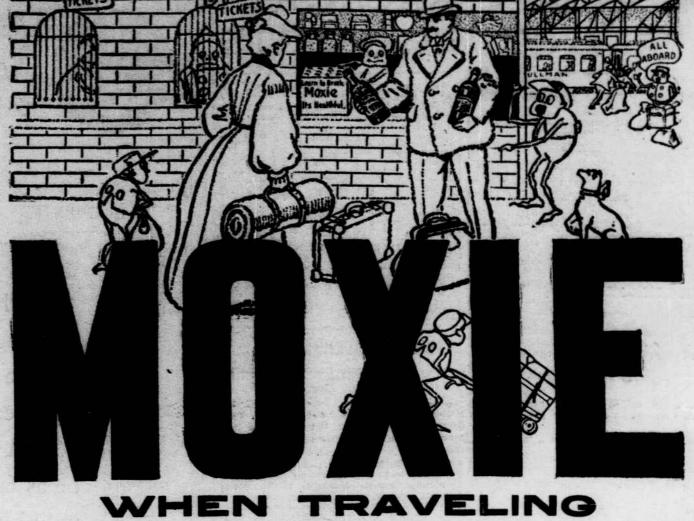
Armstrong Manual Training School-Business Course-Robert Anderson, Ollie May Cooper, Edith Wilson Coston, Arthur Mack Carter, Maggie Rebecca Dorsey, Luella Clementine Fletcher, Hazel Almedo Graham, Thomas Joseph Greene, Mabe Louise Greene, Rosa Lee Gaskins, Blanche Jennette Green, Gertrude Frances Herriot, William Augustus Henderson, Quaestor Raynor Jackson, Edward Franklin Jackson, Stacy Henry Jackson, John Cleveland Lemons, Anna Eliza Lee, Harriet Anne Miller, Martha Arnetta Madden, Benjamir Spencer Morse, Amanda Catherine New-Spencer Morse, Amanda Catherine Newman, Mary Frances Newman, Delilah Olden, Elsie Viola Parker, Ella Jordane Rose, Joseph William Robinson, Annie Rebecca Sewall, Harry Solomon Seymoure, Gussie Gertrude Smith, Helen Izetta Washington. Four-year manual training course—Evelyn Rhoda Addison, Rachel Luvinia Anderson, Norma Elizabeth Boyd, Carrie Thornston Folgon Clara Annie Green Thomes son, Norma Elizabeth Boyd, Carrie Thornton Folson, Clara Annie Green, Thomas Henry Greene, Francis Anthony Gay, Beatrix Gertrude Howell, Charles William Hailstork, William Alonza Henderson, Harriet Elizabeth Lewis, Evelyn Margaretta Moss, Katie Beatrice Murphy, Arle Anna Plummer, Florence Marcella Rawles, Clara Louise Riley, Josephine Irene Stevens, Rose Elizabeth Smith, Sadie Aurora Smith, Henry Clay Weeden, Katie Louise Wells.

Two-year manual training course—Marion Hilda Brown, Sarah Elizabeth Hutchinson, Florence Geneva Jackson, Janetta Alexander McElroy, Harrietta May Ross, Emma Frances Smith, Leighton Orrick Talbert, Amanda Marie Thomas, Eva Estelie Taylor, Irene Grace Tyler, Alys Edith Williams, Roberta Williams and Fannie Augusta Wormley.

plomas, but were given certificates showing the kind and quality of special work done the kind and quality of special work done—Beatrice Esther Brown, Rosa Victora Brown, Nellie Plummber Brown, Ethel Louise Bronaugh, Hattie Letitia Burwell, Mary Beatrice Cragwell, Estelle Lauretta Curtis, Ruby Justine Davis, Eva Spencer Ellis, Belle Bernice Golden, Esther Naomi Greene, Marie Angelica Green, Sarah Elizabeth Grisby, Ethel Christal Hall, Simmie Rhymer Hiller, Iola Cecelia Jefferson, Lottie Espina Johnson, Mary Theresa Keith, Cora Estelle Newman, Judith Marguret Newman, Martha Belle Norman, Lottie Penn, Mary Edith Russell, Estelle Mildreda Robinson, Nettie Jane Robinson, Rhyllis Georfe Anna Sedgewick, Sadie Francis Simms, Ella Catherine Todd, Marie Elizabeth Wilson, Ursula Lynn Wilson, Hettle Ruth Harris, Estelle Pamelia Houser, Germain Augustus James and Andrew Owens.

Steam engineer license—John Henry Galpes and Reniamin Thurman Mahoney

Columbia Commandery, No. 2, Knights Templar, held a stated conclave at its asylum in Masonic Temple, last evening. The orders of the temple and Malta were conferred. Announcement was made of the



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AMONG THE

The Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine, which has been in session at Chicago this week, was presided over by Imperial Potentate Henry A. Collins of Toronto, Ontario, whose term of office expired with the conclusion of the session. There were few festivities in connection with this meeting, which had originally been called for Los Angeles, but was transferred to Chicago after the San Francisco earthquake disaster, and the Los Angeles entertainment fund was ordered devoted to the relief of the Frisco sufferers. The conclave was the thirty-second in the history of the Shrine. The affairs of the Imperial Council are in ex-cellent condition, and the order is steadily increasing in numbers. The election of officers resulted, as is customary with the Imperial Council, in the advancement of the entire official line, while Dr. J. Put-nam Stevens of Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me., was chosen to fill the vacancy in the position of imperial outer guard, which is the foot of the line. For this position of imperial outer guard, the only office for which there was a contest, there were seven candidates. After the second hallot with Dr. Stevens lacking only ballot, with Dr. Stevens lacking only three votes to insure a victory and H. P. Niedringhaus of St. Louis a close second, the latter mounted the platform, and, in a stirring speech, withdrew from the contest in the interest of harmony. The five remaining candidates followed this example, and Dr. Stevens' election was made unanimous. Los Angeles was selected as the next place of meeting, and the date was fixed for May 7, 1907. Louisville and St. Paul, which had put forth strong ef-forts to secure the next meeting, with-

drew from the contest.
The new officers of the Imperial Council follow: Imperial potentate, Alvah P. Clayton, St. Joseph, Mo.; imperial deputy potentate, Frank C. Roundy, Chicago; imperial chief rabban, Edwin I. Alderman, Ma rion, Iowa; imperial high priest and prophet, Fred A. Tines, Los Angeles, Cal.; imperial oriental guide, William S. Brown, miperial oriental guide, William S. Brown, Pittsburg, Pa.; imperial treasurer, Benja-min W. Rowell, Boston; imperial recorder, J. Frank Creat, Fargo, N. D.; imperial first ceremonial master, Wm. J. Cunningham, Baltimore; imperial second ceremo-nial master, William W. Irwin, Wheeling W. Va.; imperial marshal, Jacob T. Bar-ron, Columbia, S. C.; imperial captain of the guard, Frederick R. Smith, Rochester, N. Y; imperial outer guard, Dr. J. Putnam Stevens, Lewiston, Me.

The Imperial Council authorized a dispensation for one new temple, to be located at Saginaw, Michigan, and to be known as Elf Khurafeh. It will divide the jurisdictions formerly controlled by Moslem Tem-ple of Detroit and Saladin Temple of Grand Rapids, both of which will be well remembered by local Shriners from the session of the Imperial Council here in 18.0. At that time Moslem Temple shore in the parade, and Saladin Temple, which had its headquarters at the Riggs House, had the honor of having among its mem-bers Lou B. Winsor, the then imperial potentate. The new temple is said to be already preparing for the initiation of the first class, which will take place June 22. Moslem Temple and Saladin Temple will both be present, with their officers and a learner number of members to witness the large number of members, to witness the initiation of the class, which it is estimated will number about seventy-five

The session of the Imperial Council was rendered a sad one, as the delegation from Almas Temple of this city has recently lost Almas Temple of this city has recently lost two of its most distinguished members. The late George Harold Walker and the late Edwin B. Hay had each served many years in the Imperial Council and each had gained prominence in the body. Mr. Walker was the practical founder of Almas Temple, and drafted a large part of the ritual now in use by the Shriners everywhere. Mr. Hay had won some notable victories as a speaker on the floor of the Imperial Council. That body took appropriate action upon the death of took appropriate action upon the death of both these prominent Shriners.

The admission of the new state of Oklahoma presents some interesting problems to the large fraternal bodies now having Grand Lodges in each of the territories from which the new state is formed. Some may consolidate and some may not, and the anomalous condition might present itself of two grand bodies in the same commonwealth. This is particularly true of the Grand Lodges of Masons, which, having no superior authority, might each continue to exist. But the question might arise whether each was entitled to exercise concurrent jurisidiction in the entire state or only over its old territory. Or would Indian Territory yield in all cases because the names of her Grand Lodges have become obsolete? And think of all the "good men and true" who will find themselves out of highly honorable fraternal positions in the new united grand bodies? How many ambitious members now in line in the several grand bodies will never reach the head of the grand bodies if they "fuse?" The problem is a new one in American fraternities, for while many grand jurisdictions have heretofore been divided by the establishment of new states and territories, never before have distinct and established grand jurisdictions been united. All the leading orders are strong in the new state.

Free Masonry was early introduced into what is now Oklahoma from Arkansas, and the first lodges held charters from the Grand Lodge of the latter state. The oldest lodge in Oklahoma is Eufala, which was fifty years old last November. After the civil war the Grand Lodge of Kansas chartered several lodges in the then Indian Territory, and in 1873 several lodges united to form a Grand Lodge for the territory. Thus at one time three seperate Grand Lodges were exercising jurisdiction in the territory. But Arkansas and Kansas subsequently retired.

sudden death of the late Edwin B. Hay, forfeited the policy because Westerman fallwho was eminent commander in 1892, and a committee was appointed to draft appropriate resolutions. The commandery is busily engaged in preparing for its approaching annual excursion—to Cheasa-peake Beach this year. The committee in charge announces the attractions of the occasion in the following lively manner: "Your committee has made all preparations for a good time. Concessions have been made by the proprietors of the casino, candy and ice cream stands, moving pictures, swings, bath house, merry-go-round, crab stands, scenic railway, etc. All sports are to be of an aquatic nature, wa-ter polo, tub race, tug of war, etc., under the direction of Sir Knight S. W. Stein-metz. Your committee wants to see every sir knight at the beach on that occasion. Pienty of dancing. Prizes for different events. Do not forget that you can enjoy plenty of crabbing and fishing." The commandery designs sending a drill team to compete at the grand encampment

of Templars, which is to be held at Sara-toga Springs in 1907. The commandery has adopted resolutions authorizing the employ-ment of a drill master to drill the commandery as a whole and providing that whenever it is desirable to enter a drill team for competitive or exhibition drill to sir knights composing the team shall be selected by a committee, consisting of the eminent commander, the drill master and sir knights showing the greatest proficiency in drill, and, in addition to the team, select at least three substitutes, making thirty in all. This action seems to insure Columbia's active participation in the contests at Saratoga. Adjutant Frank E. Gibson is holding drills every Monday evening was a view to the selection and perfection of the corps. the corps.

The latest official circular of Columbia Commandery, No. 2, K. T., contains a page memorial to the late Eminent Com-mander David H. Fenton, accompanied by a portrait of the deceased. At the con-clave next following his death the acting commander designated Frank H. Thomas, Harry F. Riley and J. H. Cunningham as a committee to prepare a tribute. The me-moriam was presented, approved by the commandery, ordered spread upon the minutes and is now published in the commandery circular. It says in part:
"Sir Knight Fenton's Masonic activity while residing in Washington was largely confined to this commandery, in which he always displayed unwearled zeal; he was enjoying the highest honors conferred by the sir knights, when he was called away-the second commander of this commandery to die in office. Sir Knight Fenton loved the order, was devoted to the commandery and true to his fellows; endeavoring to ex-emplify in his every-day life the prin-ciples and the lessons taught in the com-

The Mystic Shriners will give their annual excursion to Marshall Hall on Monday. All arrangements have been made by Potentate Jacobus S. Jones and the committee in charge for an exceptionally pleasant event. There will be many attractions and amuse-ments, and the usual big crowd of Shriners and their friends is expected. The entire proceeds of the excursion will be devoted to the Christmas charity fund of Almas Temple.

Mithras Lodge of Perfection, No. 1, A. A. S. R., will hold a ceremonial session June 19 (Tuesday evening), for the fourth and fifth degrees.

Ascalon Temple, No. 81, D. O. K. K., held a ceremonial session on Monday evening. There was a good class of votaries and the ceremonial work ws well rendered. This body, which is now seven years old, is coming to be a very popular and prosperous adjunct to Pythianism in this city.

The Grand Lodge of Masons of Iowa has been in session for three days this week at Des Moines. The meeting has been one of the most remarkable in the history of the order in Iowa. There was a big parade, headed by a plateon of police. Following the police came the 11th Cavalry Band, U. S. A., from Fort Des Moines, and then the escort of Temple Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar, consisting of fifty-six knights in full uniform. The Grand Lodge knights in full uniform. The Grand Lodge delegates marched four abreast, following the beautiful American flag of the Grand Lodge. There were exactly 653 delegates in line, not counting the Templar escort, which is one of the most imposing parades ever made by the Grand Lodge of Iowa. It is an interesting fact that during the sixty-two years it has lived the Grand Lodge of Iowa has had but two grand secretaries—Theodore S. Parvin and his son, N. S. Parvin.

At the last meeting of Naomi Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., two new members were added to the roll. The initiation cere-mony was performed by the full degree staff. Naomi Lodge has lost three of its active members—Mrs. Maria A. Whitemore, a charter member—William P. Allen, also a a charter member—William P. Allen, also a charter member, and Mrs. Annie Lusby, past noble grand. According to a custom of past years on the Memorial day following the death of a member a wreath of flowers is placed upon the grave by order of the lodge, and this year the deceased members were so remembered, the wreaths being sent to Douglass cemetery, in Alexandria, Va., and to Congressional cemetery.

At the last meeting of Metropolis Lodge, No. 10, I. O. O. F., the second degree was conferred on two candidates. Past Grand C. P. Sample, L. J. Kohlmer of Massachusetts and others spoke to the lodge about the benefits of this old league in which the members are taking quite renewed interest.

The Missouri supreme court, en banc, has handed down an opinion of importance to policyholders in fraternal insurance associations tirroughout the United States. The case was that of May Westerman versus the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, in which the plaintiff got judgment for \$5,-236.27 in the St. Louis circuit court for the death of her husband, J. P. Westerman, who joined the association in 1806. The lodge

ed to make a monthly payment due in August, 1901. Westerman died in January, 1902. The plaintiff contended that the monthly payments for six years prior to the date of forfeiture had created a reserve in half of the beneficiary to pay for extended insurance beyond the death, and that the certificate was nonforfeitable under the statute of Missouri which was copied from the non-forfelture statute of Massachusetts and has been adoped by three-fourths of the states of the United States. The supreme court held that the defendant is a fraternal society and not liable as a regular life insurance company. The case was reversed, Chief Justice Brace dissenting.

Washington Commandery, No. 2, K. T., had a stated conclave last Wednesday evening at which the Red Cross was conferred with Generalissimo John S. Beach as sov-ereign master. This commandery is or-ganizing a drill team for the field day ex-

Orient Commandery, No. 5, K. T., will confer the Red Cross Monday evening, and on the same occasion hold the quarterly inspection. Eminent Commander William Mehn announces for this occasion "one of Commissary George W. Sigger's famous ice-cream and strawberry festivals." Orient's third annual excursion occurs on Thursday, June 21, and the commander speaks thus of this event: 'The committee in charge have perfected all arrangements. They have procured valuable prizes for the winners of the many events prepared for the occasion. There will be fun for all."

Rathbone-Superior Lodge, No. 29, K. of P., expects to confer the rank of knight at its next convention, to be held Friday evening. At the last convention there was an excellent rendition of the rank of esquire.

The Protected Home Circle's excursion to River View was largely attended and a very enjoyable affair. There were base ball contests, foot races (including a ladies' race and an egg race), and other amusen There was plenty to laugh at and about. The excusion netted a good sum for the circle.

Samuel S. English, deputy great com-mander of the Knights of the Modern Maccabees of the District, is in attendance this week in his official capacity at the biennial review of the Great Camp, which is being held at Ludington, Mich. A receppreparations are under way toward that end. The reception will be held at North-east Temple Wednesday, June 20, at 8 p.m.

evening celebrated the eleventh anniversary of its institution by an elaborate entertain-ment at the chapter room, Naval Lodge building, 4th street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast. An unusual number of members and visitors were in attendance. The affair was inaugurated by a word of welcome from the worthy patron, Jos. H. Milans, who was followed later by Past Patron K. N. Harper in an historical address. In the course of the evening the following program was rendered: Selections from "Woodland," Ladies' Mandolin Club, first mandolin, Misses Clara Wurdeman, Bessie Eckhardt, Rosalie Dalrymple; secfirst mandolins, Misses Clara Wurdeman, Miss Louise Montrop; guitars, Misses Annie Wurdeman and Georgia Forbes; vocal solo, Mr. Charles F. Roberts; selection, Naomi Chapter Quartet, "The Lost Chord,"
Sudds; Mr. G. A. Whitaker, tenor; Miss
Josephine T. Gould, soprano; Mrs. Katie
McConchie, contralto; Mr. Charles S. Hyer, bass; soprano solo, Mrs. A. Wacker; solo, Master Raymond Wacker; selection, Nordica Mandolin Quintet; overture—"Leichte Cavellerie," Suppe; Mr. Holt, Miss E. L. Moore, Mr. R. A. Hart, Miss Pansy Cozlin, Mr. H. Ernest Galleher; recitation, Mr. Newton Elwyn Vowels; soprano solo, Miss Josephine T. Gould, "Hush Thee, My Lit-tle One;" piano solo, Miss Hattle May Per-rott; selection, quartet, "Good Night," Gelbel; congratulatory remarks were also made by Mrs. Jeanette R. Newton, grand matron, and Mr. William Hunt, grand patron, of the District. Upon the conclusion of the formal exercises buffet luncheon was served in the banquet hall.

Martha Chapter-was instituted June 13,

1895, with a charter membership of sixty-three, and has had an unusually rapid three, and has had an unusually rapid growth, the roster now showing nearly 400 names. The following are the officers for the current year: Mrs. Ida V. Faber, W. M.; Mr. Jos. H. Milans, W. P.; Mrs. M. A. Harper, A. M.; Mrs. Alice P. Boss, secretary; Mrs. M. E. McCathran, treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Heinline, conductress; Mrs. Elia Luckett, A. conductress; Mrs. Mary Galloway, chaplain; Mrs. Mary Adams, marshal; Miss Hattie May Perrott, organist; Miss Florence Eliason, Adan; Mrs. ist; Miss Florence Eliason, Adan; Mis. Mary Struble, Ruth; Miss Annie Wilson, Esther; Mrs. Ellen Reynolds, Martha; Mrs. Ida Hoffacker, Electa; Miss Thompson warder; Mr. Frank McCathran, sentinei.

The condition of William Reed Thompson of Pittsburg, who is seriously ill of pneumonia, following a surgical operation in a private hospital in New York, is reported improved.

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